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NEWS
FROM ^{1 30}
MANCHESTER

Being

A perfect Relation of the passages,
which hapned there, between the Lord
Strange, and the Commissioners for the
MILITIA.

Together with the occasion, and other
circumstances of their skirmishing, and
the number, and state of those which
were slain and wounded,

As also how the Magazine for that
County is disposed of.

Sent in a Letter from M. *Jo. Ronsgore*,
an eye-witnesse, and an Inhabitant of the
said Town of *Manchester*.

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Sir,

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Y humble respects unto you, I have not any thing to write unto you about, save onely to acquaint you with some sad passages that hapned yesternight, here at *Manchester*.

My Lord *Strange* yesterday, six miles from *Manchester*, viz. at *Bury*, by virtue of the Commission of Array, summoned all persons of able body, betwixt sixteen and sixty yeers of age, to meet

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him there with such Arms as they had, which was performed accordingly, whereof 2000 went forth of *Manchester* and the neighbouring villages.

After in the evening, about four of the clock, the Townsmen of *Manchester* hearing my Lord was coming to lodge all night at Sir *Alexander Radcliffs* house, went to meet him on the way, and invited him to take a banquet at *Manchester*, which his Lordship courtuously accepted of; and about five of the Clock came into *Manchester*, attended with about 120 horse well accoutered.

My Lord and the Townsmen were all agreed about the Magazine,

zine, his Lordship promising the Town to joyn with them in any reasonable thing they would propose; and withall, that he would stay with them till Monday morning: But in the mean while Captain *Holcroft*, Sir *Thomas Stanley*, and your Cosin *Birch*, who were appointed Commissioners for the Militia, began to strike up their Drum, to put the Militia in execution in another part of the Town; which when my Lord *Strange*, and my Lord *Mollineux* heard, they came and met them, and some blows passed on both sides, but two men of your Cosin *Birch* his Company are shot, one of which, dyed this morning and

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nine more are mortally wounded. There are on my Lord *Strange* his side, some eleven or twelve men wounded mortally; your *Cosm Birch* was shot at twice, yet escaped with some few blows, by means of a Coach that stood in the Street.

The Townsmen are all gone to my Lord, and to Sir *Alexander Radcliffe*'s house, this morning to disavow the quarrell, and to intreat his Lordship to joyn with them, to expell Captain *Holcroft* and the rest of the Town; That upon some private grudges, would have occasioned a generall quarrell betwixt his Lordship and the Town? What the issue will

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Your obliged
Sonne in Law

John Ronsgore.

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